

State To Seek Indictments In Degnan And WAVE Slayings

Report Youth Has Made Shocking Admissions of Three Chicago Murders

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torneys—saying they came into possession of the indictments only yesterday—asked a continuance. Criminal Court Judge Harold G. Ward gave Heirens until Aug. 14 when he will hear motions which Heirens' attorneys may file, or on a plea.

He seemed to enjoy being the center of attraction in the crowded courtroom, although observers said his smile at times seemed forced. While Heirens was in court, two janitors of buildings in the neighborhood of the Degnan's north side apartment were in the crowd, studying him closely.

Later they came to Assistant State's Attorney Crowley and said that they had seen the youth before.

Seen Around Building

One, Frank Van Aelst, said he had seen Heirens in and around the building where he works at 5555 Kenmore, just north of the Degnan home.

Ben Peterson, janitor of the Shoreland apartments at 1052 Sheridan rd., said he had seen Heirens around the building where he works several times. Each time, he said, burglaries were reported in the building.

Police said, however, that a quick check showed none of the looting from such robberies in Heirens' possession.

Another janitor, Elmer Nelson, then told State's Attorney Tuohy and Crowley that Heirens "looked like the man" he saw around a building at 4108 Kenmore avenue in June, 1945.

Mrs. Ross Lived in That Building

No charges have been filed against Heirens in connection with any of the slayings, despite conferences between state and defense attorneys.

From his brief oral admissions and facts and evidence gathered by the police in their investigations, it now is possible to present a rounded story of the youth's crimes.

Heirens, who began burglarizing when he was 9 years old, attended a movie with a college friend and a girl the night of Jan. 6.

Afterwards, he rode the elevated lines to the northside and walked a few blocks to the neighborhood of the Degnan home.

Money Believed There

Heirens had been a delivery boy for a liquor store in the section, a north side residential area. He knew the home. He thought there was money there.

The child's father, James, earned \$7500 a year, although the youth thought he was a wealthy man. Heirens had "spotted" the child and her bedroom previously while burglarizing another home in the area.

After reaching the Degnan home, shortly before 2 a. m. on the morning of Jan. 7, he picked up a small ladder in the yard.

He placed the ladder against a rear wall of the Degnan home and climbed through the window of the child's bedroom. She was sleeping.

He threw a sack over her head, picked her up and carried her to his shoulder down the ladder and into an alley.

Child Awakens, Screams

Near the mouth of the alley, the child woke up and cried out. Heirens apparently had not intended to kill the child at that moment, intending to wait until he reached a nearby basement with which he had become familiar during his work as a delivery boy.

But he feared discovery—the same fear that earlier had motivated the shooting and killing of Miss Brown and the strangulation and killing of Mrs. Ross.

So, in the quiet of the early winter morning, he strangled the child with his hands, within a few yards of her home.

There now remained the body. He feared that it might be found too quickly unless he disposed of it completely. He carried the body to the basement, located in an apartment at 5901 Winthrop ave., and placed it in one section of a wash tub.

There, with a hunting knife he had carried with him, he severed the child's head, arms and legs. Then he carried the pieces—some wrapped in paper, others in bags—to various catch basins within a five or six block radius of the child's home.

He threw the head in one, the arms in another, the torso in a third, and the legs in still another. Apparently, he hoped that the pieces would be washed away, eliminating the possibility of discovery by police.

Note Not Clarified

But, within hours, the head, legs and torso were recovered by police. The arms were found in a sewer four blocks from the home Feb. 19. The United Press sources said that in his oral confession Heirens specifically mentioned the arms and that he put them there.

He left a ransom note, demanding \$20,000, on the floor of the child's bedroom.

His brief oral confession, however, did not clarify whether he left the note when he stole the child or returned to the home after disposing of her body and threw the note into the window.

By dawn, three and one-half hours before the child's parents or anyone living but William Heirens knew of the crime which was to turn Chicago police loose on the greatest manhunt in their history, Heirens was finished with his grisly task.

He boarded an elevated car, rode to the south side and went to a 9 a. m. class at the university. (Earlier police reports said Heirens missed the 8 and 9 a. m. classes but attended a 10 a. m. class.)

He Was Attending Class Shortly

after James Degnan entered his daughter's bedroom to find her missing.

The brutality of the Degnan slaying was equally evident in the slayings of Mrs. Ross and Miss Brown.

Victim Strangled, Stabbed

Mrs. Ross, 43, was found slain in her apartment about 18 blocks from the Degnan home, on June 4, 1945.

Heirens entered her apartment from a fire escape. Mrs. Ross was sleeping. She awakened when he entered, and he strangled and stabbed her.

He knotted a dress around her neck, washed a wound on her neck and applied adhesive tape, apparently in an attempt to stop the flow of blood. Then he rinsed her night clothing in a bathtub, took \$12 from her purse and left.

Less than six months later, on Dec. 10, 1945, he entered the north side apartment of Frances Brown, 28, former Richmond, Ind., resident, who had been honorably discharged from the WAVES only three months previously. His intent was burglary, not rape or murder.

Scrawled Note Found

Miss Brown stepped out of her bathroom and surprised him. He shot her through the head and arm, then waited cautiously until he felt sure the shots had not attracted attention.

Finding her still alive he stabbed her in the chest with a 10-inch bread knife, then thrust it into her skull at the base.

He carried the body to the bathroom and dumped it, half kneeling, over the edge of the tub. He attempted to wash the body and wrapped towels around her neck.

He picked some lipstick up and scrawled on the wall: "For heavens sake, catch me before I kill more. I cannot control myself."

The warning was a prophetic one. Twenty-eight days later little Suzanne was kidnapped and slain.

Analysis of the youth's personality shows he was a Dr. Jekyll-Mr. Hyde, or dual personality, type. On one side was a "good self" which enabled him to make excellent grades in school, even to winning a good conduct award.

On the other side was his "bad self"—a self that he recognized and named "George Murnans."

Heirens considered he did nothing wrong. George Murnans committed the bad things. Heirens used George Murnans as the alibi to soothe his troubled conscience.

Confession Is Denied

The state's attorney's office, Heirens' attorneys, and Heirens himself, have denied he made any confession. Heirens' latest denial came last night in his cell after he had heard a United Press radio news broadcast of his admissions.

He summoned the warden and said he had "confessed to nobody, how can he say those things?"

Heirens asked to see newspapers at the jail today. When their conference began he was asked point blank:

"Did you make a confession?" "No comment," Heirens said.

"Did you make full admission to your attorney?" "No comment."

"Is your answer no comment on advice of counsel?" "Yes."

His attorney, John Coghlan, commenting on the stories of Heirens' admissions this morning, said that the "whole thing floors me."

"It does me an irreparable hurt," Coghlan continued. "I am not that naive, to make such a statement. These statements cannot come from anyone."

When Heirens was brought to the press conference he complained at being portrayed with handcuffs on. Later, however, he consented to pose with one of his jailers with the cuffs on. When his lawyer whispered to him, he twined and untwined his fingers as they talked.

MRS. LENORE CARSON, DIES AT ST. VINCENTS

Mrs. Lenore Carson, an employee of Kiefer-Stewart Co., died today at St. Vincent's hospital. She had lived here the last five years, her recent home being with a daughter, Miss Bryce E. Carson, 5348 Speedway dr.

A native of Huntington, W. Va., Mrs. Carson was a member of a Methodist church at Montgomery, W. V.

Survivors besides the daughter at whose home she lived include another daughter, Mrs. Grace Young, Charles W. Va.; two sons, O. E. Goodman, Huntington, W. Va., and L. W. Goodman, Montgomery, W. Va.; two brothers and six sisters.

Services will be held at Huntington, W. Va., with burial there.

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Heirens Confers With Attorney



William Heirens, 17, confers with his attorney, John Coghlan, in Heirens' cell at the county jail in Chicago.

Sons of Dead War Hero Romp As Fund for New Home Grows

CHEYENNE, Wyo., July 16 (U. P.).—Two little boys—one the "very image" of his dead war hero father—rolled and tumbled on real grass today for the first time in almost a year.

J. M. Hunter, who was their father's best friend, invited Ronald and Richard Carey to romp in his back yard.

"Our place don't got no grass on it," Richard, 7, explained breathlessly. "Last time we got to play on grass was last summer at Grandpa's in Spokane."

Then, shrieking and giggling, he was off for a game of last-tag with Ronald, 5.

Mr. Hunter, who donated the \$25 which started off a fund to buy a house for Mrs. Eva Carey and her two fatherless boys, went to the Carey home last week to report on the campaign.

It was then that the boys told him how they felt about grass.

"I promised to let them play on the lawn at my place," Mr. Hunter said, "and that's all they talked about for the next three days."

Their father, Sgt. Charles F. Carey, was Wyoming's only Congressional Medal of Honor winner.

He was killed in France after capturing 16 Germans single-handed.

Bills Cut Savings

Mrs. Carey and the boys were making out fairly well on the \$130 a month they got from the government until medical bills began eating into their savings. It was then that Mr. Hunter started the "house for Mrs. Carey" campaign.

Mr. Hunter said the fund was growing rapidly. He hoped it would reach the \$500 mark by the end of the week.

"We don't know just what kind of a house it will be," Mr. Hunter said, "but one thing's sure—it will have a big lawn with plenty of grass."

No Beans, Bacon or Sugar—And No Parkersburg Dinner

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., July 16.—"No beans, no bacon, no sugar." This, in brief, is the reason the annual Parkersburg bean dinner will not be revived this year, according to George A. Stilwell, president of the association in charge of the affair which dates back more than 60 years.

Held annually at Parkersburg, south of here, the dinner in the past has attracted crowds of 3000 to 5000 persons. It has been discontinued for the past three years, however, due to food and transportation difficulties.

The bean dinner, cooked in huge iron kettles in the open air, was started soon after the Civil war by the Parkersburg G. A. R. camp. When the last member of the camp died, it was carried on by other residents of the community.

George G. Yule, 58, Evanston, Ill., an internal revenue department agent, was crushed to death by the automobile. Injured were Mrs. Tillie Meltzer, 54; Angelo Balo, 24, and Howard Steward, 24, Negro, all of Chicago.

Mrs. Constance Maniscalco, 25, left the automobile while she went shopping. Wayne Sarvis, 32, a parking lot attendant, said the motorist was dead as he backed up the parking driveway. He got out, lifted the hood and the car sped down the sidewalk. He said he must have touched the starter.

SPY SUSPECT SURE OF ESCAPING DEATH

SEATTLE, July 16 (U. P.).—The fate of Russian Naval Lt. Nikolai G. Redin, charged with five counts of espionage against the United States, rested with a jury today.

The handsome young spy suspect had one assurance—that he will not suffer the death penalty if found guilty.

Federal Judge Lloyd Black disclosed in a surprise announcement last night that regardless of the jury's verdict, he would not impose capital punishment.

"I am satisfied that this is not a capital case," Judge Black said. "The life of Lt. Redin is not at stake."

Judge Black's announcement came after both prosecution and defense attorneys had delivered their final arguments.

Redin, an officer in the Soviet navy, was seized by F. B. I. agents at Portland, Ore., March 26, as he was preparing to board a Russian-bound Soviet steamer.

500,000 LEFT HOMELESS

CALCUTTA, July 16 (U. P.).—Floods which swept through southern Bengal and Chittagong district left most of the 500,000 inhabitants homeless and destitute, it was reported today.

FOOD PRICES UP; MORE AVAILABLE

Survey Shows Buyers Have Greater Selection.

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the rump beef, at chain store prices in Evansville, Ind., on June 30. The same list, including the beef for \$1.38, totaled \$5.58 at these stores yesterday. The difference was only 9 cents, excluding the beef price.

At Columbus, O., the total price for the list went up from \$6.25 to \$7.07 in an independent grocery. In general, increases were found to be less per item in chain stores.

At Albuquerque, N. M., the fluctuation was from \$5.20 to \$6.44 at an independent store, and at El Paso, Tex., where prices were about the same at both types of stores, the total rose from \$5.40 to \$6.12 in the two weeks.

New York Survey Complex

These were representative and average increases for all the cities surveyed.

In El Paso and Albuquerque prices were unchanged for potatoes, tomatoes, onions and lemons. In Evansville eggs were down a cent a dozen at chain stores, potatoes were off 16 cents for 10 pounds, onions down 7 cents, tomatoes 6 cents, and lemons 1 cent.

A comparatively accurate survey was more difficult in New York because of the variety of the store groups ranging from the small independent to the large supermarket.

Also notable was the reluctance of butchers to quote individual prices on separate items purchased in multiple sales. If the housewife orders two or more types of meat she usually learns only what her total bill amounts to.

Fresh Meats Increase

New York butchers questioned about prices say they're charging "about a nickel or a dime" above the old OPA prices, but actually they charge what the traffic will bear. Both meat and butter are plentiful.

In San Francisco bread prices were unchanged, milk was two cents lower. Butter, scarce on June 30, is now plentiful at 80 to 88 cents a pound. Under the OPA it sold at 56 cents, early in July shot to 72 cents and then to a high of 83 before leveling off.

Cincinnati reported a heavy increase in fresh meats. Boiled ham formerly at 82 cents was up to 91 although one chain store was selling it at 60 cents. Onions, potatoes, milk, peas, lemons, bread were all unchanged. Knoxville shoppers found vegetables plentiful; hence down in price.

Fewer Takers Found

Both Cleveland and Albuquerque reported higher butter prices were finding fewer takers. In Cleveland it was from 76 to 88 cents a pound and some was being returned to the creameries. In Albuquerque butter had risen from 54 cents in chain stores and 67 cents in independents to yesterday's 80-cent price at both.

Arrival of 30 carloads of meat in Washington added to an already plentiful supply but it was slow to reach retail showcases. Meats and vegetables appeared to be holding the line.

Similarly, at Columbus, housewives were shying away from high prices. One chain store had butter left Saturday night.

And Memphis reported there was more butter on the market because shoppers were not paying higher prices when they can get Oleomargarine. Butter there was up 10 cents to 75 cents over July 1 in chain stores and as high as 89 cents in independents.

Pittsburgh prices were still fluctuating, particularly on meat and butter, of which there was virtually none in legitimate channels two weeks ago.

Miners then were protesting they were unable to get enough food for heavy work.

Now the meat supply is good but distribution is spotty. Also there was plenty of butter but bread remained short.

OK COIN TO HONOR BOOKER WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, July 16 (U. P.).—The house yesterday passed and sent to the senate a bill to coin a special 50-cent piece in honor of the late Booker T. Washington, Negro educator, after hearing Rep. Howard W. Smith (D. Va.), plead for racial tolerance.

"We have too much race prejudice in the world," Mr. Smith told the house. "Those who indulge in the nefarious practice of criticizing minority races will find retribution as did the Nazis."

"We need the co-operation of all our minorities in this, our greatest hour of trial in history," Washington, a former slave, founded Tuskegee university, Ala. The memorial coin will be sold to finance a memorial at his Franklin county, Va., birthplace.

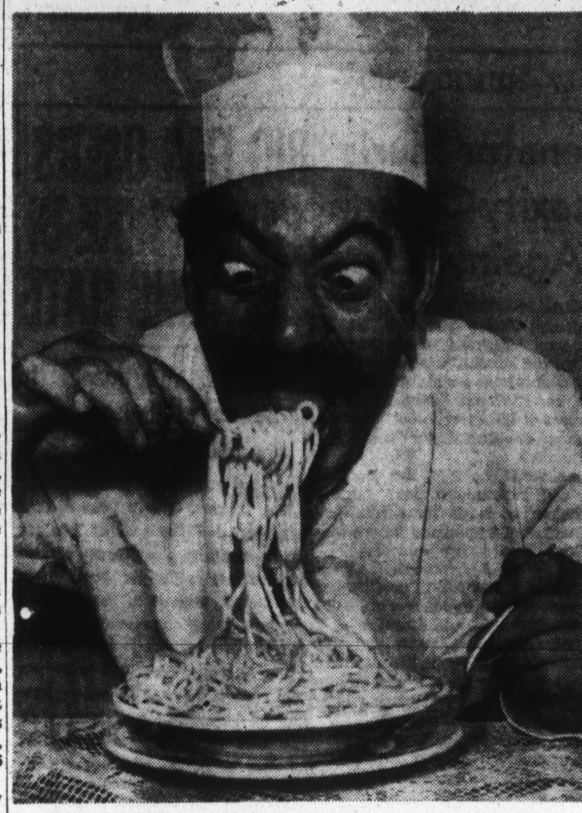
BIKINI KING TO SEE NEXT A-BOMB BLAST

OFF BIKINI ATOLL, July 16 (U. P.).—King Juda of Bikini has been invited to see what the next atomic bomb explosion does to his homeland.

The invitation came from Vice Adm. W. H. P. Blandy, operation crossroads commander, who called on Juda and his 160 followers yesterday at their new home on Rongerik island, 130 miles east of Bikini.

The natives and their king left Bikini last March so that the atom bomb tests might be held. Adm. Blandy thanked them for their "kindness and co-operation" and expressed the hope that they were happy in their newly-thatched homes.

Colonna Is 'Tied Up' in Favorite Dish



Jerry Colonna was tied up today, completely entangled in his favorite dish. "I'll string along with spaghetti," said Colonna, a cook in his own right. Brushing the tag-ends of his lunch from his handlebar mustache, the comedian explained he ate spaghetti at least three times a week. He's shown here maintaining his record at the Marrot hotel, where he awaits his Police Pal club show at the Coliseum tonight. Proceeds will buy sports equipment for youngsters.

Trio Injured, Three Arrested In Auto Mishaps During Night

Three persons were injured and three others were arrested in traffic accidents here last night.

Kenneth Rhea Munday, 17, of 206 N. Sheffield ave. and Lloyd Marksberry, 16, of 402 S. Warman ave. were injured when the car in which they were riding collided with a car driven by Philip Mangus, 53, of 1442 N. Bellview ave. at Belmont ave. and Washington st.

Three men were arrested following a collision of two automobiles at Washington and Noble sts. early today.

Max Herrald, 26, of 1927 N. Meridian st., driver of one car, was held on a charge of drunken driving. Roy Miller, 21, of 205 N. Pine st., driver of the other car, was charged with failure to have a license and James Fisher, 21, of 535 N. Pine st., riding with Miller, was charged with violating the firearms act when he claimed ownership of a revolver found in the car.

Fred Check, 7, of 905 Fletcher ave., was slightly hurt when he was struck by a car driven by John Vernia, 1729 S. Randolph st., in the 1100 block, Prospect st.

Eight found their mark in his legs, chest and abdomen. He died at the spot.

3903 GI'S ARE DUE IN NEW YORK TODAY

NEW YORK, July 16 (U. P.).—Four ships with 3903 troops aboard were due to arrive here today: Tufts Victory, from Le Havre, with 902 troops; Westley Victory, from Le Havre, with 1213 troops; Norway Victory, from Southampton, with 520 troops; Sheepshead Bay Victory, from Bremen, with 1268 troops.



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